House Resolution No. 798

Whereas, the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pauses in its diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone attainments by Show-Me State residents who are dedicated to maintaining and improving examples of buildings, structures, or areas that illuminate life in the past for the benefit of current and future generations; and

Whereas, serving as a focus in the fight against abandoning and destroying an area's historical, social, and educational significance, Brad Nicholson of TWA Lofts, LLC, will receive a prestigious Preserve Missouri Award from Missouri Preservation (the Missouri Alliance for Historic Preservation) at a special recognition ceremony to be held in the State Capitol Rotunda on Wednesday, February 27, 2008; and

Whereas, Brad Nicholson has earned the Preserve Missouri Award in light of his renovation of the TWA Corporate Headquarters Building in Kansas City, Missouri; and

Whereas, the TWA Corporate Headquarters Building was completed in 1956 using an innovative method of rapid floor slab erection called the Youtz-Slick Method; and

Whereas, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the modernist TWA Corporate Headquarters Building reflected the company's commitment to and optimism in the future; and

Whereas, Brad Nicholson, in cooperation with the El Dorado, Incorporated, architectural firm, rehabilitated the 135,000 square foot building and added multiple roof gardens with outdoor meeting areas and native grasses and wildflowers to provided insulation and help reduce the amount of water entering the city's storm-water system; and

Whereas, Missouri Preservation was founded in 1976 as the Missouri Heritage Trust to protect Missouri's irreplaceable historic resources by instilling a statewide preservation ethic through the "Missouri Preservation News", a web site, and partnership with the Missouri State Historic Preservation Office of the Department of Natural Resources:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the significant labors and tremendous success embodied in the work of Brad Nicholson and to convey this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes upon his receipt of a well-deserved Missouri Preservation Preserve Missouri Award; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Brad Nicholson of Kansas City, Missouri.

Offered by
Representative Mike Talboy
District No. 37
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 798, adopted February 25, 2008.